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### **National PartiCUlarS Preconference Issue**

#### Welcome to Sunny Orlando, the City Beautiful

ASPAN is delighted that you registered for the 31<sup>st</sup> National Conference! This year's conference theme is "Beacons of Change Focusing on the Future." Days filled with educational and fun events await you at ASPAN's host hotel, the Hilton Orlando Hotel. Available to you are several theme parks such as the Magic Kingdom, Universal Studios, and Sea World, just to name a few. Also available for you are beaches, golfing, shopping, and water parks. Read National Particulars every day for news and updated information about the day's conference activities. Particulars will be available each morning at ASPAN's registration desk in the hotel and at www.aspan.org.

#### **First Timers' Orientation**

Get the most from your conference experience! ASPAN's Regional Directors lead an overview of this 31<sup>st</sup> National Conference and answer your questions about ASPAN and its components. We welcome every attendee! Choose your session: **Sunday, April 15**<sup>th</sup> from 5:15-6:15 PM <u>or Monday, April 16</u><sup>th</sup> from 7:00-8:00 AM.

#### **Host & Hostess Orientation**

Attention conference hosts and hostesses! Receive your conference assignment and *green apron*. Attend one orientation session on: **Saturday, April 14**<sup>th</sup> from 3:15–4:15 PM **or Sunday, April 15**<sup>th</sup> from 4:00–5:00 PM. Interested in serving as a host or hostess? Contact Pat Legg at leggpc@att.net

#### Conference is "Green"

No session handouts! No bulky printed syllabus! Each National Conference registrant will help ASPAN save paper, ink, and manpower by downloading outlines <u>only</u> for the sessions for which you are registered. Some speakers may choose to provide electronic copies of their presentations. **Materials will be available online from March 14 to June 1, 2012.** Your <u>confirmation letter</u> provides the link to access syllabus material.

#### **Meet the Candidates**

Candidates for positions on ASPAN's Board of Directors will be available to greet ASPAN members on **Saturday, April 14**<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-7:30 PM. The room name will be located in the pocket guide.

#### **Moderator Orientation**

ASPAN volunteers serving as moderators at educational sessions...mark your calendars! **Saturday, April 14**<sup>th</sup> **from 4:30-5:30 PM** is the *only* scheduled orientation session for moderators to learn details of this crucial Conference role.

#### **Preconference Offerings**

This year, there are two half-day preconference sessions. The AM preconference is entitled, "Pain Assessment and Management in the Perianesthesia Setting" given by Chris Pasero, MS, RN-BC, FAAN, focusing on a healthcare team's role in influencing patient outcomes through the assessment and management of pain. Doors open on **Saturday, April 14**th, at **7:30 AM**.

The PM preconference, "Pediatric Perianesthesia Essentials" presented by Mitchell Austin, MD, and Krista Bragg, DNP, CRNA, will provide a review on essential information for those nurses who care for pediatric patients on an infrequent basis. Doors for the PM preconference open at 1:00 PM. There is a discount if you register for both morning and afternoon preconferences. *Preregistration* with additional fee required.

Representative Assembly

ASPAN's 15<sup>th</sup> Representative Assembly (RA) convenes on **Sunday, April 15**<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM until 5:00 PM. The Representative Assembly, facilitated by President Chris Price, will meet for formal hearings during the morning to discuss questions, issues, and topics related to where ASPAN is today. The candidates for National Office will also be presented. The Formal Session of the RA begins in the afternoon. ASPAN members are encouraged to attend; observe your ASPAN leaders at work!

#### The ASPAN Shoppe: 2012

For your Conference shopping convenience, *The ASPAN Shoppe* opens daily, Sunday through Wednesday. Hours posted at the Shoppe. Treat yourself and the folks at home to an ASPAN souvenir. Visit our Bargain Table for great buys. *Register for the daily drawing!* 

# Component Night: Alice "Though the Looking Glass"

Begin <u>your</u> conference week by celebrating a Happy Unbirthday Party in Wonderland. Now, don't be late for this very important date! The White Rabbit and Mad Hatter throw quite a bash **Sunday, April 15**<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-9:00 PM. Eat, laugh, greet friends, win prizes at component raffles! *Cash bar.* Thanks to event sponsor, **Arizant Healthcare Inc., a 3M company**.

#### **Speaker Development Presentations**

Contact hours! No additional fee! Listen to presentations by "graduates" of the 2011 ASPAN Speaker Development Workshop. Support these brave and committed peers on **Monday and Wednesday evenings.** Check pocket schedule for times and location. **Seating is limited. Ticket required for admission.** 

#### **Reminder: Print Your Own Handouts**

The Web site link to download syllabus content is in your ASPAN e-mailed **confirmation letter.** 

### **Special Conference Events**

#### **ASPAN Development Dream Walk**

Grab your sneakers! Stroll around the Hilton Orlando on **Sunday, April 15**<sup>th</sup> **at 6:30 AM** for the annual Dream Walk in support of ASPAN Development. *Check your pocket guide for the starting location*. Components compete for the largest number of registered walkers and the most money raised. Also, The "Dream Walker Award" is bestowed on the *individual walker* who raises the most money.

#### CPAN®/CAPA® Celebration Luncheon

Honor yourself! Be recognized among other CPAN and CAPA certified nurses for a Celebration Luncheon on **Monday, April 16**<sup>th</sup> **at 12:15 PM**. "Making Good Things Happen-A challenge to Excellence" is the topic of speaker Bryan Townsend, CSP, CPAE. *Tickets* <u>must</u> be purchased in advance.

#### **ASPAN Development Luncheon**

This year's Development Luncheon features Lois Schick, MN, MBA, RN, CPAN, CAPA, Past ASPAN President, with her presentation on "Leadership Behavior: What Character Are You?" Learn tips of transition from diapers to thongs. **Wednesday, April 18**th. Support ASPAN with your component and individual donations to the *Hail, Honor, Salute!* campaign. *Preregistration required*.

## President's Reception: NEW NIGHT!

Celebrate ASPAN's year of achievements with **President Chris Price** and ASPAN leaders. All are invited to meet and congratulate Chris on **Tuesday, April 17**<sup>th</sup> from 7:00–9:30 PM. Thanks to **Hill-Rom** for sponsoring this event!

#### **Support ASPAN's Exhibitors**

A ribbon-cutting ceremony marks the opening of the ASPAN Exhibit Hall on **Monday, April 16**<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM. Visit exhibits on **Tuesday, April 17**<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-9:00 AM, 12:00-2:00 PM and 5:00-6:30 PM. On **Wednesday, April 18**<sup>th</sup> hours are from 7:00-9:00 AM. *Please be sure to thank all of our fine ASPAN exhibitors for their support!* 

#### **Postconference Workshop**

After Closing Ceremonies, more contact hours are available for you! Spend **Thursday afternoon**, **April 19**<sup>th</sup> with perianesthesia ambulatory care experts as they discuss "Hot Topics in Ambulatory Care." Session begins at 12:15 PM. *Preregistration with an additional fee is required*.

#### **Internet Conference Updates**

Colleagues can't attend National Conference? Co-workers and local members can *stay connected* by visiting the ASPAN Web site. *National Particulars* will be posted daily at www.aspan.org.

